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Symone Sanders

American political strategist and commentator Symone Sanders is a senior advisor to President-elect Joe Biden. At age 30, she is also the youngest. Sanders was the national press secretary for the 2016 Bernie Sanders presidential campaign and the youngest national presidential press secretary on record.

A native of Omaha, Nebraska, Sanders was just 16 years of age when she introduced President Clinton at a fundraiser with a speech he later referenced in one of his books. A graduate of Creighton University, Sanders was a blogger/columist for the *Omaha Star*, an African American newspaper and has served as an analyst and political commentator on *CNN*.

Sources:
NYTimes.com; WashingtonPost.com;Wikipedia.org

ACT NOW! SUBMIT YOUR 2021-22 FAFSA AND WASFA FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

Financial aid applications for the 2021-22 school year are now being accepted. The uncertainty caused by COVID-19, postsecondary education is more important than ever. In Washington state, there are two ways to apply for financial aid:

U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens apply with the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). People who can't file the FAFSA—due to immigration status, defaulted federal loans, or other issues with federal aid—can apply for state aid with the **WASFA** (Washington Application for State Financial Aid).

Not Eligible for Federal Financial Aid? Get State Aid with the WASFA.Washington State offers financial aid programs to students who cannot file, or do not wish to file, a federal FAFSA financial aid application. The Washington College Grant and College Bound Scholarship are available to students who are not U.S. citizens but who meet state and program requirements. Complete the Washington for State Financial Aid (WASFA) to see if you are eligible.

African Music Pedagogy Intervention for Incarcerated Males

In times to date, it has become more evident culturally relevant forms of education and healing are imperative to community development and transformation. Awodi Drumming LLC, in contract with the Department of Children, Youth and Families, will implement rehabilitative course corrective identity formation for incarcerated black males. This dynamic program will integrate African music pedagogy and African American healing modalities.

Founder Javoen Byrd is a Washington state native and holds a master's degree from the University of Washington. He found his calling through West African drumming. Not being a stranger to economic hardship himself, he observed the effects of poverty on black and brown communities. Through his study of Yoruba drumming, he learned more of his African roots, and the various archetypes of black male masculinity.

Dismantling Poverty in Washington State: The 10-Year Plan

Today, almost 2 million people live in a household that struggles to make ends meet. Research shows a causal relationship between poverty and its negative effects on child, adult, family and community well-being. Nearly every goal – kindergarten readiness, high school graduation rates, an educated workforce, less crime, strong communities, etc. - would significantly improve if poverty and inequality were reduced. For every $1 invested in reducing child poverty, there is a $7 return to the economy due to increased earnings when children become adults and the savings from reduced state spending on homelessness, health and crime.

*The Poverty Reduction Work Group identifies eight strategies and 56 specific recommendations that if implemented will reduce poverty and inequality in Washington State. The **10-Year Plan for the Future** is two years of work with a diverse group of state agencies, legislators, racial and ethnic commissions, community-based organizations, advocates, employers and philanthropy. Access their report **here**.*

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CENTRAL WASHINGTON

Town Hall

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Join the Commission on African American Affairs as we host a Zoom town hall meeting with the Governor's office.

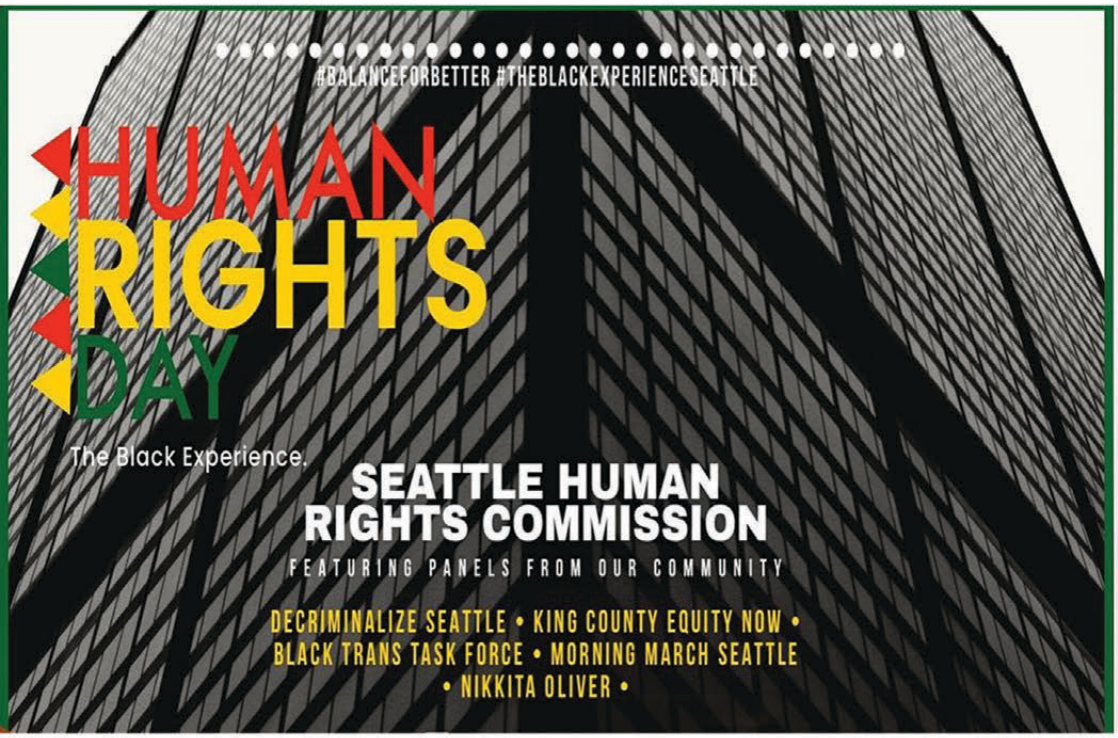
For this conversation, the emphasis will be on Central Washington area issues.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

TUESDAY
DECEMBER 8, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Register in advance for this meeting. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting

https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYtdO-oqTwiGNfHmn6-CC-aGSsuhy8MBczo



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The Black Experience in Seattle

by The Seattle Human Rights Commission

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Free

This Human Rights Day, the Seattle Human Rights Commission spotlights Black Voices.Community members from King County Equity Now, Decriminalize Seattle, Converge Media, Black Trans Task Force, and Morning March Seattle will navigate a discussion on the Black Experience in Seattle. Register via Eventbrite.com

eventbrite.com/e/the-black-experience-in-seattle-tickets-127512147265?aff_ebdssbonlinesearch

EMPLOYMENT/CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES openings

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OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER openings

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH openings

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRIES openings

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL & HEALTH SERVICES openings
Developmental Disabilities Performance and Quality Improvement Specialist Case Resource Manager, Spokane, WA. Closing 11/19/2020

WASHINGTON MILITARY DEPARTMENT openings
Security Guard 2. Camp Murray. Closing 11/24/2020
Youth Academy Counselor. Bremerton, WA. Closing 11/29/2020

WASHINGTON STATE PATROL openings

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION openings
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CITY OF SEATTLE openings
Community Police Commission Executive Director. Apply by 11/30/2020
Prenatal to Three Policy Advisor. Application closes 12/1/2020
Postsecondary Policy and Programs Manager. Application closes 12/1/2020

CITY OF BELLEVUE openings

CITY OF TACOMA openings

CITY OF OLYMPIA openings

KING COUNTY openings

PIERCE COUNTY openings

SPOKANE COUNTY openings

CLARK COUNTY openings

SOUTH PUGET SOUND COMMUNITY COLLEGE openings

OLYMPIC COLLEGE openings

COMMUNITY COLLEGES OF SPOKANE openings